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Statistics Canada says the country's population grew by 121,200, or 0.36 per cent, in the second quarter.

All four provinces in Western Canada recorded higher demographic growth than the national average from April to June, with Alberta growing the fastest at 0.59 per cent.

The agency attributes the increase mainly to net international migration, which totalled 84,800 — that's the second-highest figure for a second quarter since 1972.

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Rodeo Stampede royalty



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Alderman wary of cuts to funding for new cops

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for Metro Calgary



DOWNTOWN City streets will be less safe if the province follows through with plans to reduce funding for new Calgary cops, says an inner-city alderman.

Ald. John Mar said reports that Solicitor General Fred Lindsay is reconsidering provincial plans to fund 41 new officers for Calgary are troubling and may force cops to scale back enforcement plans primarily in the downtown core.

"Do fewer boots on the street, a lower level of investigations and less police response, mean the streets aren't as safe? Yes," Mar said.

"If they do the unthinkable and follow through with this, we're going to have to look at our own budget because we need these officers."

The former Mountie and current member of Calgary's police commission has already drafted a letter to Justice Minister Alison Redford, asking that she quell any discussion of slashing promised police funding.

Investor funds were then funnelled through shell companies, with investors being paid via separate investors instead of actual profits, police allege.

Noting an influx of new officers into the downtown core that was funded jointly by the city and province has lowered crime rates by 26 per cent, Mar said any reduced commitment would likely force police to shift personnel to suburban areas, possibly reversing some of the positive changes that have been made.

Ponzi suspect arrested

Calgary man in alleged \$400M fraud collared at city airport

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A Calgary man alleged to be one of the masterminds behind Canada's largest Ponzi scheme has been collared by Mounties.

Gary Sorenson, one of two men RCMP say are at the centre of a \$400-million investment fraud scheme, was arrested at 11:30 a.m. yesterday after stepping off a plane at the Calgary International Airport before being released on bail.

Supt. Eric Mattson said

the arrest, a surrender arranged through Sorenson's lawyer, brings a close to the search for suspects in the scam that allegedly bilked as many as 3,000 investors by promising a large return on investments through shell companies.

"This was a very large operation with thousands of investors and international in scope," he said, adding it has been ongoing since 1999.

Sorenson, 66, has been charged with theft and fraud, the same charges faced by his alleged partner Milowe Brost, 55, of

Chestermere, who was arrested on Sept. 13.

Mattson wouldn't say where Sorenson had flown in from, but police had previously said he was believed to be living in Honduras.

While Sorenson has been released on a \$300,000 bond, his passport and another travel document have been seized, making it difficult for him to flee, Mattson said.

The two men are alleged to have created Syndicated Gold Depository S.A., entering an agreement to loan money to Merendon Mining Corp. Ltd. for the promise of a high rate of return.

Investor funds were then funnelled through shell companies, with investors being paid via separate investors instead of actual profits, police allege.

Mattson said the maximum sentence for fraud is 14 years, while theft carries a maximum sentence of 10.

Both men are scheduled to make their pleas in court on Oct. 19.



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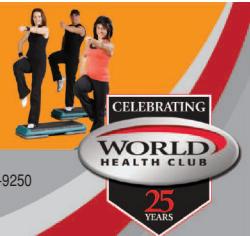
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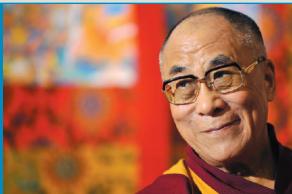
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News in brief

EXPERT The University of Calgary has attracted an international expert on sensors. Orly Yadid-Pecht has been recruited to set up a research facility at the U of C. Technology Minister Doug Horner says her work has already had an impact on cellphone cameras, home video monitoring and security systems. It's hoped further sensor research at the university will help create worldwide markets for local industries.

Calgary tweets

- [@ctoverdrive](#) I love the self-proclamation of success from local alderman in #yyyc, when they're surrounded by cries of disappointment. #yycc
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Bridges getting a makeover

Local artists crafting 140 banners to adorn downtown gateways

will be in place until next spring.

"Normally, we would have a submission process but the fabric artists pitched the idea and it seemed like a good fit," he said.

"You'll see parts of previous works all woven together."

That

means no two banners will be the same and include a mix of older flower designs as well as the occasional inclusion of human mouths, ears and eyes from last year's offering that promoted ordinary Calgarians.

Funding for the bi-annual replacement of the bridge banners comes from the city's \$50,000 downtown improvement fund.

David Down, the city's urban design and heritage co-ordinator, said the artists pitched a unique concept that will use some of the previous banners from 2008 and earlier to create new designs that

after council Monday voted to include the design as part of its long-term transportation plan and now its biggest backer, northeast Ald. Jim Stevenson, said a cheaper alternative could be the key to making it happen.

"What administration had given us was a Mercedes design but we really just need a Chevy design," Stevenson said.

"With the work we've done we could build a basic tunnel for about 30 percent less than the original estimates and get going on this."

The city has already pledged \$50 million for a new tunnel in hopes of enticing other orders of govern-

ment and the Calgary Airport Authority to ante up similar amounts.

Stevenson said the new design, funded by northeast businesses and developers, could come in under \$200 million if it's done right and make a compelling case for other contributions to match the city's.



A new look for bridges entering the downtown as Calgary's Bridge Banner program created hand woven banners from previous 2008 and earlier banners.

Klein calls out Stelmach on leadership vote

POLITICS Former Alberta premier Ralph Klein says Premier Ed Stelmach should resign if he doesn't get 70 per cent support when provincial Tory delegates hold a mandatory leadership vote in about six weeks.

Klein said in an email to The Canadian Press that his advice would be for Stelmach to "step down if he does not reach 70 per cent" when about 1,500 Tory delegates vote Nov. 7 in Red Deer.

Klein himself resigned as premier in 2006 after party members gave him 55 per cent support in the leadership review required by the party after every general election.

Klein won huge majorities in four elections and got 90 per cent approval from party members at one point before his popularity began to wane.

Stelmach was not available for comment.

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A parking fee system that had originally been slated to open at the Calgary Zoo in June will not be operational until at least mid-October. Until that time, parking in the zoo lots will still be free of charge. METRO CALGARY

Grits join call for public hearing on Bill 50

MEREDITH O'HARA
for Metro Calgary



The Alberta Liberals have joined the growing crowd calling for a public hearing into Bill 50, the proposed \$15 billion electricity transmission line upgrade between

Calgary and Edmonton.

"We can not effectively stop a bill in legislature with nine members out of 70," said Opposition leader David Swann. "All Albertans, businesses, organizations, municipalities are impacted by this ... clearly there's a lot of stakeholders in this Bill 50 debate, we need to

hear from them," he said.

Swann called the bill a "disruption of the democratic process" adding the Alberta Utilities Commission should have been involved.

He said the project would cost Albertans hundreds extra on their power bill a year.

"Albertans have a right and a responsibility to play

some role in deciding to what extent we're going to continue the old centralized power production," Swann said.

Calgary city council also wants a public hearing. They unanimously passed a motion this week calling on the province to give the public a chance to speak.

"There are a lot of people at the community level and certainly citizens mainly who are very concerned about the long-term impact and consequences of Bill 50," said Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart, who called for and received city council's support for a hearing at Monday's meeting.

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U of A signs to work with Germans on oilsands

ENVIRONMENT German researchers will try to help Alberta solve some of the pressing environmental problems posed by massive oilsands development — if governments and industry pay the bill.

The University of Alberta has signed an agreement to work with the Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres on six projects that mainly deal with the capture and storage of greenhouse gases.

Other research would look at how to manage tailings ponds, reclaim land and replace natural gas used to fuel oilsands projects with geothermal energy.

Lorne Babiuk, vice-president of research at the University of Alberta, suggests the five-year project would help improve the image of the oilsands in Europe.

Work could begin in January and is expected to cost at least \$80 million, but it depends on funding from the Alberta, federal and German governments, as well as from the oilsands industry.

Babiuk says the Germans are interested because oilsands research deals with some of the same environmental challenges Europe faces in the coal industry.

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Calgary in brief

COUGAR An adult male cougar was struck and killed by a vehicle just outside of Calgary Monday evening. Around 8:45 p.m. near Springbank and Hansen roads, the cougar crossed the road and was hit. Fish and Wildlife officers believe the cat was likely hunting for deer at the time.

CLIMATE The Calgary Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a luncheon with Lord Christopher Monckton Oct. 1 at the Westin Hotel. Monckton, the chief policy adviser for the Science and Public Policy Institute — noted for his controversial view on climate change — will be presenting his address: Apocalypse Cancelled: The Overheated Hype behind Global Warming.

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Electric carmakers seek federal help

A consortium of carmakers and experts has published a so-called road map to 2018, when they hope 500,000 electric vehicles will be buzzing along Canadian roads. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Canada



Con man nabbed at border

U.S. authorities say a con man who has made a living stealing from wealthy hotel guests around the world has been arrested in Vermont. Federal authorities say Juan Carlos Guzman-Betancourt was nabbed Sept. 21 at a gas station near the U.S.-Canadian border in Derby Line. They say that he told a U.S. Border Patrol agent his car broke down in Quebec and that he unknowingly walked across the border into Vermont.

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Tories eye vote chances

PM must be cautious: Pollster

This week's images of Prime Minister Stephen Harper riding the prow of a locomotive in Saint John, N.B., flanked by two gainfully employed rail workers, said it all about his government's fortunes.

The Conservatives are rolling right along with their political agenda and message of economic recovery.

The opposition Liberals seem to have gone off the rails, at least for now.

The situation is tantalizing to some Conservatives, who as one party source put it are "always looking for opportunities" to orchestrate the demise of the Liberals.

Pollster Doug Anderson says his research shows

that's a dangerous game. "The greatest significance you could project from this is, if you're going to be the party that causes an election... you don't want to suffer the blame," said Anderson, vice-president at Harris-Decima.

"If the government wants one to happen, they have to be very delicate in how they make it happen."

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New Brunswick Grisly testimony



Rodney Miller is led from court in St. Andrew, N.B. yesterday. A New Brunswick court has been told that Miller, accused of killing a newborn in January, admitted to police he stabbed the boy through the heart and disposed of the body.

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Ontario suing Big Tobacco

COURTS Ontario filed a \$50-billion lawsuit today against a group of tobacco companies over the health-care costs tied to smoking.

The suit, which had been planned under legislation introduced in March, claims damages for past and ongoing health-care costs.

The province claims tobacco-related costs currently total more than \$1.6

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News in brief

FLU The death of a Canadian school principal in Hong Kong has prompted the facility to issue reassurances that those attending classes at the school face no risk of an H1N1 outbreak. Alan Dick, 55, the Toronto-educated Lower School principal at the Canadian International School of Hong Kong, died in hospital Monday evening after falling ill Sept. 20.

SENTENCE A Canadian soldier who shot and killed his roommate in Afghanistan in 2007 is facing a jail term of at least two years, a military judge said. Cmdr. Peter Lamont, who's hearing the case, postponed the sentencing against Cpl. Matthew Wilcox until today.

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Facebook pulls assassination poll

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World

Protesters raped, shot dead in streets

Guinea's government said yesterday it would investigate why troops opened fire on protesters at a pro-democracy rally. A human rights group said 157 people were killed and more than 1,200 were injured.

While saying it would investigate, the government continued to maintain that the protest was illegal. It also said far fewer people died than reported. Hospitals were flooded with patients yesterday, and the death toll rose through the day.

Presidential guard troops fired on 50,000 people at the main football stadium Monday, shattering hopes that this West African country was shedding the yoke of dictatorship.

Some of those at the rally, upset that a military officer

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who seized power in a December coup might run for president in January elections, had chanted: "We want true democracy."

Capt. Moussa (Dadis) Camara's presidential guard opened fire, scattering panicked demonstrators, who left behind scores of dead. Opposition politician Mutarr Diallo said he witnessed soldiers raping women with rifle butts. The African Union, the European Union and the

government of neighbouring Senegal denounced Monday's bloodshed. The AU already had suspended Guinea's membership after Camara seized power.

Eyewitnesses told New York-based Human Rights Watch that security forces stripped female protesters and raped them in the streets. The rights group, citing eyewitness reports, said soldiers also stabbed protesters Monday with knives and bayonets.

Hardly anyone had heard of Camara, an army captain in his 40s, until his men broke down the glass doors of the state TV station Dec. 23. He announced that the constitution had been dissolved and that the country was under the rule of a military junta. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Deadly tsunami slams into Samoa

EARTHQUAKE Towering tsunami waves spawned by a powerful earthquake swept ashore on Samoa and American Samoa yesterday, flattening villages, killing at least 39 people and leaving dozens of workers missing at devastated National Park Service facilities.

Hampered by power and communications outages, officials struggled to assess the casualties and damage. The quake, with a magnitude between 8.0 and 8.3, struck around dawn about 32 kilometres below ocean floor.

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Kashmir Heated protests



Kashmiris shout slogans against the government during a protest in Srinagar, India, yesterday. Police in Indian Kashmir fired tear gas shells and used coloured water cannons to disperse protesters demanding release of their salaries withheld for many months in the region, officials said.

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Ketsana continues deadly path in Vietnam

ASIA Typhoon Ketsana roared into central Vietnam yesterday, killing at least 41 people as it brought flooding and winds of up to 144 kilometres per hour, disaster officials said. Some 170,000 were evacuated from its path.

Ketsana left more than 200 dead in the northern Philippines as a weaker tropical storm. After gathering

UNICEF responds

- UNICEF has provided \$143,000 US in supplies to address the urgent needs of affected children and their families in the wake of Typhoon Ketsana.

strength over the South China Sea, the typhoon made landfall in midafternoon.

Two people in Quang Nam province were killed by falling trees, and another died when struck by a power line, said Nguyen Minh Tuan, a provincial disaster official.

"The rivers are rising and many homes are flooded, and several mountainous districts have been isolated by mudslides," Tuan said.

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News in brief

NUCLEAR Iran's nuclear chief said yesterday his country built its newly revealed uranium enrichment facility inside

a mountain next to a military site to ensure continuity of its nuclear activities in case of an attack — an unusually

detailed disclosure that may be intended to defuse international pressure.

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Likely German cabinet minister openly gay

Guido Westerwelle, the probable future German foreign minister in Angela Merkel's new government, is making no secret that he is gay, appearing in a major newspaper hugging his partner yesterday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Honduran general pleads for solution

Citizens worried about suspended rights

The general who oversaw the ouster of President Manuel Zelaya implored all sectors of Honduran society to join in resolving the country's deepening crisis yesterday, a message that seemed aimed at calming an uproar over a government order suspending civil liberties.

Gen. Romeo Vasquez's comments came hours after interim President Roberto Micheletti said he would accept congressional calls for him to reverse the emergency decree suspending civil liberties that he had announced on Sunday.

But little had changed yesterday. Two critical broadcasters remained shuttered and police faced off with about 500 demonstrators who sat in the middle of a street after officers blocked them from marching.

Micheletti also said he would allow an Organiza-

"I am sure that Hondurans will find a peaceful solution soon to the crisis we are facing. All sectors of society should put aside their differences to unite the homeland."

Gen. Romeo Vasquez

tion of American States team whose arrival was blocked this weekend.

The OAS hopes to persuade the coup leaders to bow to international demands they reinstate Zelaya, who was arrested and expelled from the country on June 28.

Conservatives expressed fear that Sunday's decree would endanger the Nov. 29 presidential election.

The message by Vasquez seemed aimed at easing domestic and international protests that escalated after the government imposed the restrictions in response to Zelaya's surprise return home.

The decree suspended

freedoms of speech and assembly and allowed warrantless arrests. Officials also closed dissident television and radio stations and expelled OAS employees.

"I am sure that Hondurans will find a peaceful solution soon to the crisis we are facing," Vasquez said, adding that "All sectors of society should put aside their differences to unite the homeland."

Zelaya, speaking via telephone to a United Nations General Assembly meeting in New York said the decree was proof that the interim government "is a fascist dictatorship that has repressed the Honduran people."

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Brazil Olympic dreams



A woman rides her bike by a clock showing the number of people who want the 2016 Olympics to be held in Rio de Janeiro yesterday.

Key H1N1 mutation discovered

HEALTH Dutch scientists are reporting they have found a key mutation in several H1N1 flu viruses from the Netherlands, a mutation that in other flu viruses increases virulence.

But they say the mutation doesn't appear to cause more severe disease with the novel H1N1 virus.

The two people from whom the mutated viruses were isolated had standard cases of influenza A and when the mutated virus was tested in ferrets it didn't produce more severe disease. The finding is being reported through the online infectious disease alert system ProMed. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

IRAQ The top American general in Iraq is sending home thousands more U.S. troops by the end of October as the American military pulls back from the six-year war. Gen. Ray Odierno says in prepared congressional testimony that the number of U.S. soldiers in Iraq will be reduced by about 4,000 troops. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Time for Polanski to face the music

The West View**Paul Sullivan**

Roman Polanski, director of Oscar-winning movies such as Chinatown and most recently The Pianist, has led the creepiest life.

He escaped the Holocaust, but not before serv-

ing as target practice for a squad of Nazis. Then he became a celebrated movie director, marrying beautiful starlet Sharon Tate. Then came the notorious Manson family attack in which pregnant Sharon was brutally and senselessly murdered. Obviously stricken by grief, Polanski had illegal sex with a 13-year-old girl, was arrested, fled the U.S., and spent the next 30 years on the lam. Finally, this week, lured into a sense of false security, he was captured after landing in Zurich to receive a lifetime filmmaking

achievement award.

Someone should make a movie about this man's life. We could call it Repulsion II. I'm still suffering nightmares from Repulsion I, which I saw at an impressionable age. Catherine Deneuve plays a woman whose fear of men leads to a psychotic breakdown and she slides over the edge into brutal murder. We are left to wonder what traumatic episode in her early life led her to fear men so.

Cut to the mid-'70s when Polanski himself, already a dirty old 43, plied 13-year-

old Samantha Gailey with Quaaludes ('70s designer downers) and champagne and had sex with her, no doubt contributing to her fear of men.

Overnight, Polanski went from being the toast of Hollywood to toast. Rather than spend the rest of his weird life in jail, he repaired to France, where he remains a hero, along with Jerry Lewis and Mickey Rourke. Ah, the French.

But he wasn't counting on his Javert, Los Angeles District Attorney Steve Cooley, who waited in the

weeds to bag his prey. Now it's an international incident.

The argument is the '70s were a different time. The sexual revolution led to any number of wretched excesses and the victim, now in her 40s, has forgiven Polanski and is part of the movement to have him freed.

But here's what I don't understand. In this day and age when it's considered a heinous crime for dirty old men even to look at pictures of underage girls, why should we give Polanski a get-out-of-jail free card?

What kind of message are we sending? That if you're talented and celebrated, there's such a thing as justifiable evil?

Haven't we learned anything in 32 years? Raping and exploiting children are crimes. It doesn't matter who you are. It's time for this to stop and it's time for Polanski to face the music, and I don't mean piano lessons. They should get that, even in France.

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Word on the street: Who do you think will win the Stanley Cup this season?

Cam Sylven
age 39, Calgary

A: I'm going out on a long shot and say Toronto because they're due.

Cody Szigety
age 22, Calgary

A: I've got my money on the Penguins. I think Sidney Crosby still has a lot of growing to do there.

Matt Friesen
age 16, Calgary

A: I want it to be Calgary because we're the best team.

Melissa Robinson
age 23, Ottawa

A: I don't know who's going to win, but I want Calgary to win. They're my favourite team.

Joe Del Priore
age 26, Toronto

A: St. Louis Blues ... They're a young and scrappy team ... Hard-working ... They've got a lot of heart.

Anu Powar
age 21, Abbotsford, B.C.

A: I would be too bold to say the (Vancouver) Canucks even though they are (almost) undefeated in the pre-season. So I am going to say the Detroit Red Wings.



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Smartphone banking ahead

The growing popularity of smartphones is expected to push up the use of mobile banking, allowing consumers to check balances, transfer money and pay bills.

In Canada, mobile banking is attracting small numbers of consumers who are essentially replicating their online banking habits.

Banks including RBC and Scotiabank offer the service and both say smartphones

are key to its adoption. While the Bank of Montreal says demand for mobile banking is still in its infancy and doesn't offer it, it's watching it with interest.

IDC Canada analyst Kevin Restivo said a lot of Canadians still don't have access to the web on their mobile phones and that's holding them back from trying the service. "In the short term, it's very new to Canadians,"

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said Restivo, who follows mobile devices and their applications.

Smartphones allow consumers to surf the Internet,

access email, watch video, listen to music, play games and run applications such as stock trading platforms and airline boarding information.

In the next three to five years, mobile banking should become more popular as more consumers get smartphones and wireless network speeds increase making the experience easier, Restivo said.

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Business in brief

CONFIDENCE The Conference Board says consumer confidence in Canada rose in September. The index increased 2.5 points to 90.9 out of 100, the seventh consecutive monthly bump, which has not happened since 2002.

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Tourism spending drops for fourth straight quarter

REPORT Tourism spending in Canada fell 0.8 per cent in the second quarter, its fourth straight decline.

Statistics Canada says two factors figured in the slip — the cancellation of Canadian flights to Mexico after the outbreak of the

H1N1 influenza virus and the implementation June 1 of more stringent document requirements at the U.S. border.

Spending by international visitors to Canada fell 1.6 per cent in the second quarter, the sixth straight

quarterly decrease and the 15th decline in 18 quarters.

Canadians' spending on tourism in Canada fell 0.6 per cent in real terms in the second quarter after more modest declines in the previous three quarters.

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Winemaking The new Napa



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Winemaker Shauna Rosenblum sits atop barrels at Rock Wall Wine Company in Alameda, Calif. The winery is located in a hangar that was once used to paint fighter jets. Cash and convenience is leading a number of wineries to head to grittier spaces like business parks and warehouses.

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Panasonic Corp. and Sanyo Electric Co. must sell off a European plant that makes batteries to win EU antitrust approval for the \$9 billion deal creating one of the world's biggest electronics makers, the EU said yesterday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chicken egg-sized diamond found in S. Africa

MINING Petra Diamonds Ltd. says a diamond the size of a chicken egg has been found at South Africa's Cullinan mine.

The diamond may be

among the world's top 20 high-quality gems. It was discovered Thursday at the mine northeast of Pretoria, South Africa.

Johan Dippenaar, the

company's CEO, said in a statement yesterday that the 507.55-carat gem was "exceptional colour and clarity." No value has been given yet for the diamond,

which weighs just over 100 grams. The mine also produced the largest diamond ever found, the Cullinan, at 3,106 carats in the rough. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

YouTube, Warner strike video deal

YouTube said yesterday that music videos from **Warner Music** will return to the video site in the coming months after a nine-month dispute over splitting ad revenue.

Most of the catalogue of videos from artists such as Madonna, Metallica and Green Day will be available for free viewing by the end of the year. YouTube typically gives content owners the majority of the revenue in ad-sharing deals. Under the new deal, Warner will get an even larger share than before because it is also bearing the bur-

Major deals

- The deal also means YouTube now has partnerships with all four major recording labels — Warner, Vivendi SA's Universal Music Group, Sony Corp. and EMI Group PLC.

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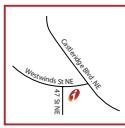
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CFL Hall of Famer Nettles dies

Ray Nettles, a member of the Canadian Football Hall of Fame, died Tuesday after a battle with cancer. He was 60. During a nine-year career, Nettles played with B.C., Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa and Calgary. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Pennington done for season

The Miami Dolphins have made it official — quarterback Chad Pennington is out for the season. Pennington was placed on the reserve-injured list to create a roster spot for quarterback Tyler Thigpen, acquired yesterday from the Kansas City Chiefs for an undisclosed draft pick. Pennington likely faces a third operation on his right shoulder since 2005. He was hurt in a loss Sunday at San Diego that left Miami at 0-3.

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Turkoglu resting after busy summer

Long playoff run, playing for Turkey leaves new Raptor feeling tired

Hedo Turkoglu even sounded tired.

One of the biggest pieces to the Raptors' roster puzzle this season sat quietly at courtside yesterday, his shoulders hunched over in a bulky black sweatshirt.

Turkoglu, acquired in a blockbuster four-team trade in the off-season, is resting through the early part of training camp after a long run through the playoffs last season with Orlando and then a busy summer spent playing for Turkey.

And by all appearances, he needs it.

"It was very busy," Turkoglu said, his voice lacking any semblance of energy. "Right now I'm just trying to manage myself and try to look for the long picture and try to be more fresh and more healthy for the long coming season. I don't want to be like this, but in the end it will be the best for the Raptors."

The Raptors acquired the 30-year-old Turkoglu from

Triano bans phone use

Raptors coach Jay Triano has banned the use of smartphones and laptops during practice this season. A user can discreetly read an incom-

ing message, but must leave the gym to respond. That includes reporters, who only are allowed to see a portion of practice.

Orlando in July, a deal that not only gave Toronto some financial room to move but also a veteran player known for his versatility.

"He's such a basketball-savvy player, he's been effective at so many different levels, but the thing that's so notable with him is he makes others on the floor with him better," said Raptors GM Bryan Colangelo. "He's got play-making skills but he's 6-10, he can handle the ball, he can play two, three, four (shooting guard, small forward, power forward.)"

Turkoglu is coming off a career season that saw him lead Orlando to the NBA finals against the Los Angeles

Lakers. He averaged 16.8 points, 5.3 rebounds and 4.9 assists and started in 77 regular-season games.

He shone in the post-season, scoring a career play-off-high 29 points against Cleveland.

He followed up the NBA season by playing for Turkey in the recent Euro-

pean championships.

Now, he could just use some rest.

"There's no point beating him down in October here, after the summer that he had and the last four months that he's played, all the way back to June, pretty intense basketball,"

said Raptors coach Jay Triano.

"We're just going to ease him back in and make sure we don't wear him down."

Turkoglu also has nagging knee pain from what Colangelo said was quadriceps tendinitis, and so will spend much of camp in the physio room. He's in good company. Team captain

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Foote has big skates to fill as captain

HOCKEY Pity Adam Foote. Even though the veteran defenceman has accomplished just about everything imaginable during his NHL career, a small cloth letter has given him some seriously big skates to fill this season.

Foote is now the captain of the Colorado Avalanche, replacing the retired Joe Sakic — the only other man ever to wear the 'C' in Denver. In fact, Sakic had filled the role since 1992, when the franchise still called Quebec's Le Colisee home.

Burnaby Joe twice accepted the Stanley Cup from NHL commissioner Gary Bettman on behalf of the Avalanche and even captained Team Canada at the 2006 Olympics.

No pressure following him, right?

"I've been with this franchise for the majority of my career and I know what the standards are here," Foote said after stepping into the role. "I look forward to the challenge of leading this team."

Sakic's retirement leaves Daniel Alfredsson as the NHL's longest-serving leader. The Swede took over the Ottawa Senators captaincy from Alexei Yashin back in 1999 and has been the cornerstone of the franchise ever since.

Among the 25 current captains, there are 17 Canadians, four Americans, two Swedes, a Russian and a Slovak.

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AL Central race heats up

BASEBALL The AL Central race got even wilder.

Orlando Cabrera hit a go-ahead single in the 10th inning after a pair of wild pitches and the Minnesota Twins closed within one game of first-place Detroit, beating the Tigers 3-2 yesterday in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

The Tigers won the second game 6-5, to move two ahead of the Twins, who trailed Detroit by seven games only two weeks ago.

Minnesota clinched the season series 10-6 against Detroit, meaning a division tiebreaker would be at the Metrodome. Because Brett Favre and the Vikings host Green Bay Monday night at the stadium, a baseball playoff would likely be pushed back until Tuesday.



Detroit Tiger Gerald Laird is hit by a pitch by Minnesota Twins pitcher Nick Blackburn in Detroit yesterday.

Anticipation high for game between Packers, Vikings

NFL For the Minnesota Vikings, a Monday night matchup against the Green Bay Packers is about as big as a regular season game gets.

"All you've got to do around here is say Packer week, and everybody gets excited," cornerbacks Antoine Winfield said.

When they're playing for first place in the NFC North at the quarter mark on the schedule, well, the intensity will only increase.

When Brett Favre happens to be the Vikings' new quarterback, the public interest in this rivalry is on the verge of explosion.

"I have no idea what you're talking about. It's just a regular game to me," linebacker Ben Leber said.

He kept his straight face for oh, a few seconds.

"This is probably the most anticipated game I think, for a regular season game, that I've ever been a part of," Leber said.

Winfield claimed he heard ABC was considering postponing the popular

"This is probably the most anticipated game I think, for a regular season game, that I've ever been a part of."

Ben Leber

Dancing with the Stars show this Monday to avoid losing too many viewers to partner network ESPN.

"Everyone will be watching the Monday night game," Winfield said.

This is NFL-style hype at its highest form.

Favre won't be available for comment until tomorrow, but after Sunday's comeback victory over San Francisco he was already looking ahead to Green Bay's arrival.

"It'll be a big game for a lot of reasons," he said. "They are a good football team. We're going to have to play better than we did today to win it — to win any games."

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A rainout Monday night delayed the start of this four-game series and forced a doubleheader. Each team has six games left.

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Crosby expects to play Friday

NHL Pittsburgh Penguins captain Sidney Crosby has practised for the first time since injuring his groin during a pre-season game Thursday in Columbus.

Crosby took part in the Penguins' practice yesterday and expects to play in the season opener Friday against New York Rangers.

The Penguins will raise their Stanley Cup championship banner at Mellon Arena that night.

Crosby skated Saturday and Sunday, but did not play in the Penguins' final exhibition game Sunday in Detroit.

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Rangers' Hamilton out for rest of season
The Texas Rangers shut down outfielder Josh Hamilton for the remainder of the season yesterday to rest the pinched nerve in his back. METRO NEWS SERVICES



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Marco Donadel of Fiorentina celebrates with his keeper Sebastien Frey at the final whistle during the UEFA Champions League Group E match between Fiorentina and Liverpool at the Stadio Artemio Franchi stadium yesterday in Florence, Italy. Fiorentina beat Liverpool 2-0.

Fiorentina top Liverpool

Teen leads Italian squad to Champions win

Five-time winner Liverpool lost to Fiorentina in the Champions League yesterday, while defending champion Barcelona won its first game and Inter Milan was held to a second successive draw.

Teenage Fiorentina forward Stevan Jovetic scored twice in a 2-0 win over the Reds to sit second in Group E behind Lyon, which thrashed Debrecen 4-0.

"Everyone is disappointed, but at this level every team is a good team," Liverpool manager Rafa Benitez said. "We were not the best in any part of the pitch. We knew that they were a good team — very organized, good on the

counterattack — and we were giving the ball away all the time and giving them chances."

Lionel Messi and Pedro Rodriguez scored to give Barcelona a 2-0 victory over Dynamo Kiev to go top of Group F, as Inter drew 1-1 at Rubin Kazan.

Arsenal relied on late goals from Robin van Persie and Andrei Arshavin to beat Olympakios 2-0 and stay perfect in Group H. Standard Liege drew 1-1 with AZ Alkmaar in the other group match.

Sevilla moved four points clear at the top of Group G after thrashing Rangers 4-1, while Stuttgart could only draw 1-1 at Unirea.

At the Camp Nou, Messi scored in the 26th minute when he received Andres Iniesta's pass and cut in from the right before delivering a powerful low shot that goalkeeper Olexandr Shovkovskiy couldn't keep out.

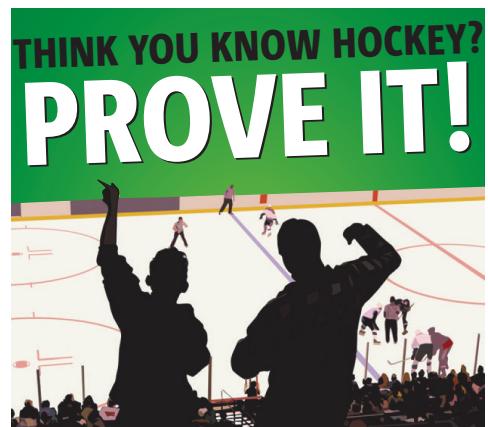
Substitute Pedro doubled Barcelona's lead in the 76th.

"It's an important win," Pedro said. "It's always important to win your home matches in the Champions League."

In Florence, 19-year-old Jovetic scored twice in the first half against Liverpool.

Fiorentina and Liverpool are tied for second in Group E with three points each.

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Replacement refs set to go for NBA

UNION The NBA has told teams it's going ahead with replacement referees, days after the league thought a deal had been reached with locked-out officials.

The league sent a memo yesterday informing teams it had "no expectation of concluding a timely labour contract." The memo, obtained by The Associated Press, follows the latest failure in negotiations.

According to the memo, the sides had agreed in principle on a new two-year deal Friday. But the National Basketball Referees Association rejected the NBA's proposal Sunday.

The memo alludes to the reversal, saying, "this is not the first time that commitments made by the NBRA's negotiators were not met."

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Eagles dump Garcia

The Philadelphia Eagles released quarterback Jeff Garcia yesterday to make room on their roster. **THE ASSOCIATE PRESS**

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Toronto Blue Jays Adam Lind hits his second home run of the game against the Boston Red Sox last night in Boston. Lind finished with three home runs as the Jays won 8-7.

Jays play spoilers

Red Sox fail to clinch as Lind hits three homers

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Adam Lind hit three of Toronto's six homers to lead the Blue Jays to an 8-7 victory over the Red Sox and spoil Boston's hopes of clinching a playoff berth for the second consecutive night.

It was the fifth straight loss for the Red Sox, who would clinch the AL wild-card berth with their next

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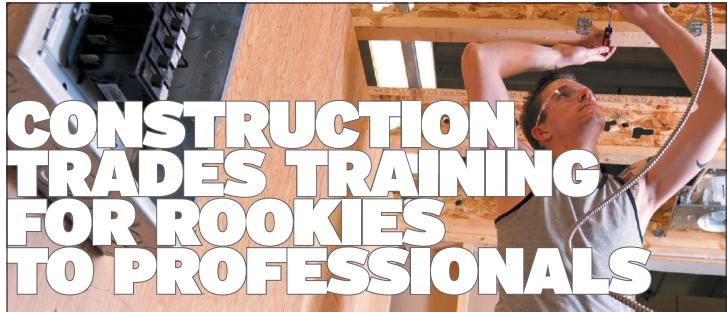
win or the next Texas loss. The Rangers played the Los Angeles Angels later Tuesday night.

The Red Sox scored five times with two outs in the eighth inning to cut a six-

run deficit to 8-7, but Jason Frasor got the last four outs for his 11th save.

Jose Bautista hit the first pitch of the game high over the Green Monster, Aaron Hill singled on the second pitch he saw and then Lind hit a 1-2 pitch from Clay Buchholz to centre for another homer. Lyle Overbay walked and scored on Travis Snider's single to give the Blue Jays a 4-0 lead after one-half inning for the second night in a row. Lind also homered in the fifth and seventh innings for the first three-homer game of his career.

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Metro Drive

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2010 CR-V priced



Honda has announced the redesigned 2010 CR-V, which is now on sale at a starting price of \$27,790, unchanged from 2009 pricing. The CR-V's 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine now puts out 180 horsepower but with improved fuel economy ratings.

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XC60 sweet little machine

JIL MCINTOSH
for Metro Canada

An all-new model for 2010, the Volvo XC60 is just about everything you could want in a crossover-style vehicle: comfort, performance, relative practicality and gorgeous styling in a tight little package.

Currently, the XC60 comes strictly with a turbocharged 3.0-litre inline six-cylinder "T6" engine, producing 281 horsepower, and with all-wheel drive, starting at \$45,495.

That will eventually change, though: Volvo will add a 235-horsepower, non-turbo six-cylinder that will come in front-wheel-drive for \$39,995, or in all-wheel, with several other

upgrades, for \$44,495. The T6 model will then increase to \$49,995, but will also have several other top-of-the-line features added to it.

As with all Volvo models, options can very quickly push those prices considerably higher.

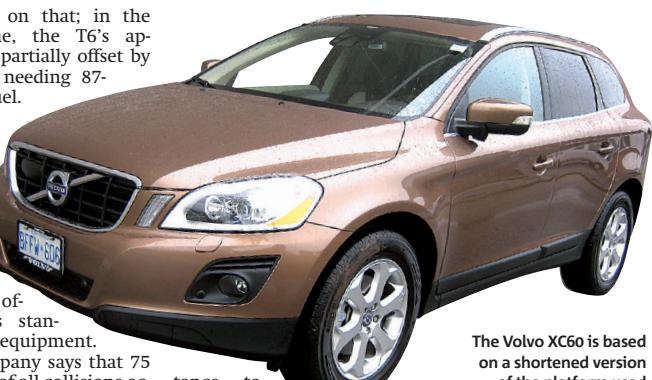
The XC60 is based on a shortened version of the platform used in the S80 sedan, which also makes it a cousin to the Volvo V70 and XC70.

The turbocharged engine is smooth and powerful, but it is thirsty, returning only 12.4 L/100 km (23 mpg) in everyday driving for me. By published figures, the BMW X3, Acura RDX, Mercedes-Benz GLK and Volkswagen Tiguan all do better. The upcoming non-turbo model should

improve on that; in the meantime, the T6's appetite is partially offset by its only needing 87-octane fuel.

Volvo chose the XC60 to debut its new City Safety, which is offered as standard equipment. The company says that 75 per cent of all collisions occur at speeds below 30 km/h, mostly caused by drivers not paying attention in parking lots or stop-and-go traffic.

City Safety, which can be shut off if not wanted, uses a laser to measure the distance to the vehicle in front. Active at speeds of between 4 and 30 km/h, the system first pre-charges the brakes, reduces the throttle, and illuminates the brake lights. If the driver is still oblivious,



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2010 Volvo XC60

Type: CUV
Price: from \$45,495.
Engine: Turbocharged 3.0-litre inline six-cylinder "T6" engine
HP: 281

Highlights

- Comfortable and stylish
- City Safety — collision prevention technology

though, that the system can only detect wide objects such as other vehicles; it's still up to you to avoid knocking over pedestrians.

The XC60 is gorgeous inside, with heated leather seats, soft-touch plastics, wood trim, metallic accents, and an optional cargo system that lifts up and contains hooks to hold grocery bags, or pulls up to reveal divided cubbies.

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Should I Just Accept That I'll Have To Pay A Bundle?

No. Sadly, this is a mistake many drivers make and it can be a costly one, especially if they don't bother to shop around for the lowest rate available. The key to finding the best rate, especially if you have tickets or accidents on your driving record, is to figure out which insurance company of the more than 20 in Alberta has the best rate for your particular situation. And with rates varying so wildly across companies, chances are you are not with the company that has the lowest rate for your profile right now.

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Longer-lasting cars propel used market

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I've always known them as "used" cars. But some outfits have been calling them "pre-owned" or even "previously enjoyed."

I don't think the terms are synonymous. Just this morning, I heard a family member say, "Who just pre-owned all the toothpaste?"

It didn't sound right, and no, it wasn't me.

Obviously such re-branding is an attempt to deflect some of the negative connotations that have traditionally surrounded the used car, and the used car world.

And who hasn't heard a used-car horror story or two? Or even been the central protagonist on occasion?

The horror has, and can, arise from the car itself and/or from the deal. The used car world has always been attractive to unsavoury characters. Even when used car lots were beyond reproach, they never seemed to put you at ease.

Too many flags maybe, or blow-up gorillas, or questionable calendar choices in those trailers they used as offices.

At any rate, that is so behind us now. If fact, in a recent report, the Canadian auto industry analyst, Dennis DesRosiers, notes that a new paradigm is forming in the used vehicle market:

"With higher quality products, consumers are no longer buying some-

"With higher quality products, consumers are no longer buying someone else's problems."

Auto industry analyst Dennis DesRosiers

one else's problems. Used vehicles are an important and growing part of the overall market for light vehicles, with both new vehicle dealers and independent sellers approaching this sector with greater sophistication than ever before."

He also adds that as governments continue to throw on more and more

regulations and effectively shape what the automakers can produce, consumers may only find the vehicles they truly desire, on the used car side.

The sophistication he referred to includes nice, big used car dealerships and/or departments, and their increasing ability to offer financing from the major banks, as well as third-par-



Overall increase in dependability makes for more worry-free used-car purchases, Michael Goetz says.

ty warranties.

He says used-vehicle quality can be measured simply by how many klicks these modern-era vehicles can pile on before they

head to the afterlife.

"In the 1970s the useful life of a vehicle averaged in the range of 170,000 kms... This decade (2000-2009) has witnessed the ex-

pected useful life of a vehicle increase to 277,000 kms... As we enter the 2010s, our lifetime mileage forecasts pegs average Canadian vehicles with a service life of roughly 320,000 kms."

Canada went metric at the start of 1970s, about a decade before we started to see those big gains in vehicle quality and longevity. In those decades, when we were still mpg and mph, the line of death for a vehicle was definitely 100,000 miles.

Once over that line, the value of the vehicle would fall off a cliff, and potential buyers would tend to be restricted to a thin and suspect lot, comprised of those with strong stomachs or severe financial constraints or fetishes for that particular model.

Today, the voodoo death line seems to be at 200,000 kms. Its obvious why that line scares people — it's a nice round number with lots of zeros.

But considering what happening, to vehicle longevity and the acceptance of the used or "pre-owned" car in our society, that voodoo line is definitely going northward, and soon.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

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Ford F-150 a well-loved pickup

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MODEL: 2004 to 2008 Ford F-150

VEHICLE TYPE: Pickup

APPROXIMATE PRICE RANGE: \$10,000 to \$30,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION: In 2004, Ford began selling what it called the most advanced pickup on the road. This generation F-150 got an all-new body and frame, as well as many new tech-

nologies and features. Shoppers and the media took to it right away, and the eleventh-generation F-150 went on to become a celebrated sales success.

Up to 300 horsepower was on tap, thanks to an available 5.4 litre V8 engine. A smaller 4.6 litre V8 developed up to 248 ponies, and a 4.2 litre V6 started the powertrain range with 231.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: Owners typically love the feel-

ing of safe, confident sturdiness built into their trucks. Most appreciate the ride quality, steering and handling, too. Large payload and towing capacities were a hit with those who worked their trucks, while the premium cabin amenities were praised by folks using the F-150 for family duty.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: As it

tends to go in the pickup truck world, most drivers wish for better fuel mileage. In the case of the F-150, meager performance was another common complaint—even with the larger V8 engine on board.

COMMON ISSUES: Earlier F-150 models in this generation were known for faulty window regulators. Be sure all windows operate quickly



Ford F-150

and smoothly without questionable sounds. A broken window regulator will cause the glass to slide down into the door, resulting in numerous headaches and an expensive repair bill. Check the

condition of the braking system, as many owners report "premature" wear of pads and rotors.

THE VERDICT: A mechanical inspection is advisable on any used pickup.



Be it a certified pre-owned car backed by an automaker or one from a private dealership, it's important to do your research when shopping for an used vehicle.

Certified factor

More peace of mind for shoppers

MARK ATKINSON
for Metro Canada



One option when choosing a used vehicle is whether or not to consider a car from a manufacturer's certified used vehicle program.

The pros and cons are fairly straightforward: generally, a manufacturer will do multi-point inspections, offer additional warranties beyond the original, bring the vehicle up to near-new condition and more.

Some offer 24-hour roadside assistance, and others allow you to exchange within 30 days if you're unhappy with your purchase.

However, the prices are usually higher than those you might find at a traditional used-car dealer or through private sale.

"Basically the car is like new, only three years old and half the price," said Crystal Tost, a real-estate agent from Calgary. "I bought a 2006 BMW 530xi a year ago from Calgary BMW. I bought it because the car was reconditioned like new, such as tires, brakes, etc."

Tost added that the dealer repainted the car's hood to fix some stone chips, and filled holes in the bumper where an out-of-province front plate had been mounted. "The car as a whole has to live up to certain standards that you just don't find on the resale market by a private owner."

Tost said the car's price was similar to other non-certified models. "Maybe a bit more, but worth it in the end. My car retailed at over \$90,000 and I bought it for \$44,000 with only 29,000 km. I would buy another one in a heartbeat!"

Some buyers prefer the ease of buying a certified used vehicle because it takes a good chunk of the effort and research out of the mix.

"The Toyota Certified Used Vehicle program raises the bar on what customers expect from a pre-owned vehicle," said Warren Orton, director of Toyota Canada Inc. "Our 127 point inspection requires a minimum of

50 per cent brake pad depth and original tire tread; that's important peace of mind for our customers."

Jack Sulymka, general manager of Brennan's Dixie Chrysler in Brampton, Ont., thinks the programs help the dealership provide better vehicles to potential clients.

"The key is the factory trained inspection process and reconditioning requirements," he explained. "The service contracts that are available to the customer from Chrysler are clear ... there is no grey area."

Consumers should do their homework about certified used vehicles. First, a manufacturer will only certify its own models, so you won't see a certified Audi at a Hyundai dealer. Second, buyers still have to request things like previous owner and crash histories, but they can have a little faith that any repairs made were done to manufacturers' standards. Third, you can still negotiate on price, like any other used vehicle, and shouldn't be afraid of doing so.

However, just because a vehicle isn't certified doesn't mean you should avoid them. There are many excellent vehicles that don't fall within a manufacturer's set standards for certification, which can mean a good bargain.

Most people prefer to take the lower price of a non-certified model and get it inspected independently before making their decision to purchase. There are plenty of specialist auto dealers and service shops that can provide equal or better service without the added expense.

Ultimately, it's up to you to determine which avenue to pursue depending on your budget and confidence in spotting a potential lemon.

Expert tips for buying used

Here are five tips for purchasing a used car courtesy of Bob Beattie, executive director of the Used Car Dealer Association of Ontario.

- Read the contract carefully and fully understand how the final price was determined. If there's anything you're not happy with, walk away. There are plenty of fish in the sea, and plenty of good used vehicles out there.
- Do your research, and have a general idea of what you are looking for and a price range you're comfortable with.
- For young people, check that you can be insured for that vehicle. A 16-year-old new driver will have a hard time getting a policy on a 2003 Chevrolet Corvette.
- Ask for previous owner his-

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The Cadillac STS, left, and the Saab 9-7X are two vehicles that were too pricey when they were new but have taken a hit in price, not quality, ever since.



Tips for used car test drive

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If you're in the market for a used vehicle, chances are it's because you either don't like the new vehicles you can afford, or you're smart and are shopping for a deal. Depreciation is a double-edged sword. We hate it when the vehicle we own loses money with age, but we love it when we pick up a bargain after someone else 'pays' for the loss.

With that in mind, we thought we'd shine the light on the 'Depreciation Wonders', the vehicles you

Depreciation wonders

would never consider new, whether it's because of the original sky-high price or because another vehicle is a better value — but can't ignore after a little time passes.

We spoke with Josh Bailey, senior manager, client services for Canadian Black Book, the country's only real guide to used-vehicle values, and asked him to provide information on the vehicles that lost the most money over a two-year period.

"I would like to provide the retained value for these vehicles, but it would create unrealistic expectations for buyers because of the way the numbers are calculated," Bailey explained.

"A better comparison is the MSRP to our average retail price — both values are included here. It should be noted that these current retail values do not account for equipment or mileage so should be considered a guide only."

We've chosen the five, in alphabetical order, that we feel give you the best bang for your buck:



CADILLAC STS

Starting from a sky-high \$76,332, a nicely equipped V6-powered 2007 STS will run you \$28,917, or about the price of a high-end Mazda3. For that price, you get a 300-hp, rear wheel drive sport sedan with a bucket-load of toys.

DODGE GRAND CARAVAN:

Canadians love minivans, and the Grand Caravan has been a perennial hot seller in this segment. The 2007 version

difference isn't quite as drastic as the Caddy, the Brit's original \$74,533 tag now rings up for \$31,650.

KIA SEDONA

More minivan action here with Kia's second-generation Sedona. The powerful standard V6, huge size and numerous amenities mean it's an excellent deal. Compare \$30,995 to \$13,838 two years later, which would barely buy a new Rio5 today.



sion is the last of the jelly-bean years, but should have the excellent Stow 'n Go seating. The original price of \$30,115 should now only cost \$13,842, or a new Chevrolet Aveo. A bargain people mover.

JAGUAR S-TYPE

Sure, Jaguar's S-Type was never a head-turner, but by the end of its run, it had matured into a great driver's car with solid reliability. And while the price dif-

SAAB 9-7X

When at its worst, General Motors was renowned for building four, five or even six versions of a vehicle to spread over its dozen brands, which is how Saab was forced to sell a seven-seat SUV. The 9-7x is the best of the bunch, offering great looks, a good ride and plenty of toys. \$18,388 for a vehicle that originally cost \$50,390.

One for drowsy drivers

JIL MCINTOSH
for Metro Canada

 "There are highly-detailed sensors that measure 70 parameters."

Miki Velemirovich of Mercedes-Benz

You know how dangerous it is to drink and drive. What you may not know is that it can be just as deadly to drive when you're tired — the reason for Mercedes-Benz's Attention Assist.

Standard on the 2010 E-Class and S-Class, and likely to appear in other models in future, the system alerts the driver when it detects the early signs of drowsiness. It's estimated that a sleepy driver is a factor in more than 100,000 crashes in North America each year. And while you may think long-haul truckers are the most likely candidates, they only account for about one per cent of

file of the driving behaviour is recorded into the management system."

Once the system has "learned" how you drive, it continually monitors your steering inputs to ensure you're not deviating from that. Specifically, it's looking for something common to drowsy drivers: veering slightly off course, and then a small correction. This can indicate a driver who's dozing off, who realizes the car is leaving its lane, and then moves the steering wheel to bring it back. Drive like this, and the system chimes to get your attention, flashing a large coffee cup symbol in the instrument cluster.

Attention Assist was de-



If Attention Assist senses you are too tired to drive, a coffee cup lights up in the instrument cluster.

Driving Force

veloped in-house by the company, and uses a steering sensor and software to monitor drivers travelling above 80 km/h.

Mercedes-Benz isn't the only manufacturer offering such a system. Saab's system, called Driver Attention Warning, uses tiny infrared cameras that

focus on the driver's eyes and measure the rate of blinking. If the driver's eyes are closed for too long, the car emits a warning.

Velemirovich says that focusing on vehicle movement is preferable. "A camera can't work if the driver wears sunglasses, or depending on the eye structure of certain people, it won't detect it," he says.

ADVICE The used-car test drive is an important opportunity to reveal potential problems with a vehicle you're considering spending a lot of money on. Turn up your consumer instincts, remember these tips, and get ready to scrutinize.

- Get down low and have a good look beneath the vehicle. Check for excessive rust, dents, holes and leaks. Question any issues you may note, and get a mechanical inspection if you're uncomfortable looking beneath the vehicle yourself.

- Considering a car with a manual transmission? Note any slipping or shuddering as the clutch engages. Shifting into third gear at a fairly low speed and applying full throttle may coax slippage out of a worn clutch, too. Be certain the seller isn't trying to pass an expensive clutch replacement onto you.

- The vehicle should stop quickly with no unwelcomed vibrations. Stops should occur in a straight line, and the pedal should feel firm— not spongy. If the brake pedal sinks to the floor or the vehicle pulls to the side during a stop, its brakes need some attention. Be sure the parking brake holds the car from rolling on a hill, and remember that a squeaking sound from the brakes means the pads are worn out.

- Check for signs of moisture or mildew, especially on vehicles with a sunroof. Is there water or rust under the floor of the trunk beneath the spare tire? Are the carpets damp or musty in the front footwells? If so, you could be asking for a rust-bucket down the line.

- Check tire wear. A tread-depth gauge can determine how much life is left in the tires, and a visual inspection can help determine if the vehicle has alignment issues. Tread should be worn evenly across the whole width of the tire. A tire that's worn more heavily on one side indicates that the vehicle's alignment is out of whack.

- Turn off the radio and listen for unusual noises from under the hood or under the car's body. Any clunking, rubbing or grinding is probably a sign of trouble.

A new Disney Parks promotion for 2010 will offer a free day's admission to 1 million guests who complete a day of volunteer work next year. The program will provide certified volunteers with a one-day ticket to any park at Disneyland in Anaheim, Calif., or Walt Disney World near Orlando, Fla., in 2010. See DisneyParks.ca. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Cooking up a storm in Chiang Mai

To really learn the secrets of making Thai cuisine, head overseas

NATHALIE FRASER
Metro World News

It's hard not to get excited about food when you walk through the bustling, fragrant streets of Chiang Mai, in the foothills of Mount Doi Suthep.

The city was also the first to offer tourists classes in the art of Thai cooking, when chef Sompon Nabian set up his Thai Cookery School in 1993.

Sompon's establishment is still a favourite, with visitors flocking to the shady, open-walled compound outside the city centre to learn the basics — and more advanced tricks — of this deceptively elaborate cuisine.

A visit to the local covered market opens the day to buy fresh ingredients, and it's an inquisitive gourmet's dream to have the chef at hand to answer any questions about the mysterious fruit and vegetables on offer.

Back at the school, Sompon and his assistants demonstrate the dishes and students are then sent to their individual workstations to prepare them by themselves.

It's a cook's paradise: ingredients have been peeled, chopped and divided into portions, all you have to do is combine them in the wok (which is trickier than it sounds, as these are placed over powerful gas burners).

The red fish curry, spicy prawn salad Chiang Mai-style or steamed banana



Left, a dish called Kaeng Khiao Wan Nuea. Right, a golden buddha statue at Wat Doi Suthep in Chiang Mai, Thailand.



Right, a teacher and student prep ingredients at Thai Cookery School. Right, BuaLoi Phueak.



cake that you've created are then eaten at long tables, with conversation sparking up between the guests of different nationalities — German, Aus-

tralian, American, British. Many choose to follow a single day, but we opted for a longer course and enjoyed special attention from chef Sompon, whose

sense of humour extends to laughing out loud when a student burns their curry paste with smoky results.

Not that you need to

worry about poor results as an inexperienced cook — the beginners in our group often fared better than their friends or partners who considered

Good to know

Thai Cookery School, 47/2 Moon Muang Rd, Opp. Thae Phrae Gate, Chiang Mai, thaicookeryschool.com.

Where to stay: Tri Gong Residence has airy rooms with air-conditioning and teak furniture from 700 baht. Guests can use the outdoor cooking facilities to test their new skills; trigong.com.

Where to eat: The Wok restaurant is run by the same team as the Cookery School, if you feel like trying before you buy. 44 Th. Ratchaman-kha.

Local dish to try: Khao Soi is the local noodle speciality, served with beef or chicken in a spicy sauce with a number of vegetable garnishes. Try it from a street vendor or in one of the city's many restaurants.

When to visit: The Thoi Krathong Festival during November's full moon (around Nov. 2) is a great time to visit. Winter months are sunny but agreeably cool due to Chiang Mai's altitude and Northern location.

themselves experts.

The only thing to worry about really is that cooking (and subsequently eating) six different dishes in one day means you're not always keen to sample more delicacies after class.

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Two of Canada's major vacation travel businesses are being combined. Sunwing Vacations will join forces with tour operator Signature Vacations and its retail division SellOffVacations.

Signature is owned by a U.K. company through First Choice Canada, which has been losing money over the past few years including \$20 million in the first half of 2009.

Sunwing has been owned by the Hunter family of Toronto, which will retain control of the Canadian company in partnership with Signature owner TUI Travel PLC, which operates in approximately 180 countries worldwide.

As part of the deal announced yesterday, TUI Travel will contribute \$101 million and its Canadian operations including Signature Vacations to the new ven-

ture. In return, TUI Travel will get a 25 per cent voting interest and 49 per cent ownership in the Sunwing Travel Group.

"The proposed amalgamation of tour operators will create a stronger company better able to compete against Canada's leading tour operators, while offering a broader range of travel destinations to the travelling public," said Colin Hunter, chairman and ma-

jority shareholder of the Sunwing Travel Group.

He said the proposed company will be in a position to improve its product range and offer competitive prices with increased efficiencies.

The company didn't disclose what type of efficiencies it anticipates or how employees of the two businesses will be affected. However, Sunwing chief operating officer Stephen Hunter

"The proposed amalgamation ... (will offer) a broader range of travel destinations to the travelling public."

Colin Hunter, chairman, Sunwing Travel Group said the combined company aims to grow.

"As one of Canada's fastest growing companies with combined revenues of \$900 million, along with the improved operational efficiencies, complementary product mix and a growing

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A teacher demonstrates a dish at the Thai Cookery School.

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Top 3 things to check out in Chiang Mai:

Sunday Walking Street

As its name suggests, a street that is pedestrianized and transformed into a market, selling everything from desirable souvenirs to plastic knick-knacks. Plenty of food stalls too. A Sunday Walking Street also exists.

for this food market featuring many stalls specialising in local specialities and seafood. It's right in the middle of the Night Bazaar, so you can shop and snack at the same time.

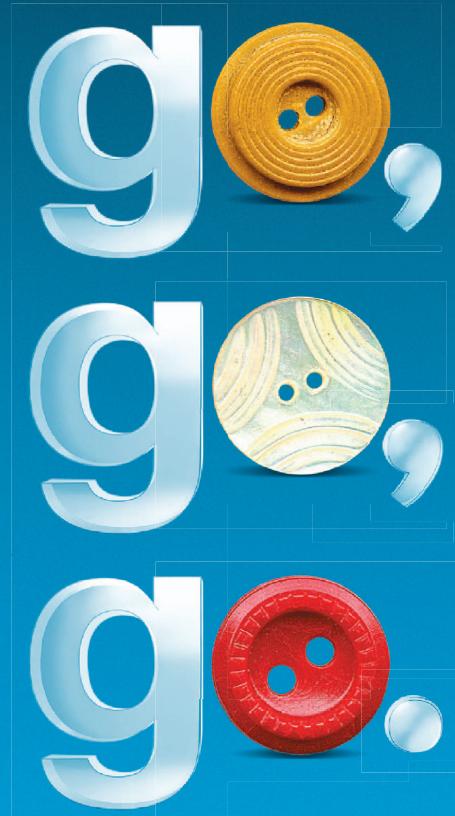
The Wats

You can't visit Chiang Mai without taking in some of the numerous Buddhist temples that also make it famous.

Wat Phra Singh is the most famous, but lose yourself among the narrow streets of the walled city and you'll discover temples of all sizes and ages.

Anusan Night Market

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If you want to learn about the history of the tin whistle or pick up a bit of Gaelic, the 13th annual Celtic Colours International Festival is the place to be. The festival, running Oct. 9 to 17, will also present dozens of concerts at venues throughout Cape Breton; see celtic-colours.com. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Robert Kiyosaki will not attend this workshop.



In this 1958 photo, a champion waterskier performs a stunt with her foot on a towline at Cypress Gardens, Fla. The 73-year-old theme park ruled Florida in the days before Disney.

Cypress Gardens closes

Theme park was once a Florida must-see

Cypress Gardens, which reigned as Florida's greatest theme park in the days before Disney, has shut down while its owners try to sell the attraction.

The 73-year-old park, known for water-skiing shows, lush flower gardens and Southern belles in hoop dresses, has been shuttered after years of sagging attendance and ownership changes.

The current owner, Land South Adventures, said the

park was no longer financially viable. The company said in a statement it "has explored numerous management frameworks and exhausted every possible approach to keep the park running in its traditional form."

The company said it was negotiating with several potential buyers.

Cypress Gardens, once a must-see for Florida visitors, was opened in 1936 by Dick and Julie Pope, and the family sold it in 1985. The property has been bought and sold several times since.

It was closed in 2003, then changed hands under a complicated deal that involved help from state and local government and a

non-profit conservation group. In 2004, it was hit by three hurricanes and the owners were unable to reach a settlement with an insurance company to cover damages. The current owners bought it in October 2007 for \$16.8 million US.

The park, in the small town of Winter Haven, Fla., southwest of Orlando, was closed again in November 2008 for renovations and opened in March, featuring its traditional botanical gardens, water park, water ski shows and concerts, but without the animal attractions and rides. Cypress Gardens had about 100 employees when it closed, down from 700 to 800 in its heyday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Surprise! iPhone bills can sink the vacation budget

Here's how to minimize fees when you're travelling internationally

An inventory for a trip to a tropical beach could read like this: Swimsuit, check. Sunscreen, check. Passport, check. And iPhone, check.

Well, make that a possibly giant cheque, drawn from your bank account. Unaware travellers can blithely rack up eye-popping bills on their iPhones while travelling abroad.

The international roaming calling rates are bad enough, but data usage is what really delivers the sting. The root of the problem is that the iPhone, with all its apps, positively inhales data. Because domestic plans feature unlimited data, few users bother to track the amount they send and receive.

When you travel to a foreign country, this cheap smorgasbord of bits and bytes becomes a pricey à la carte menu. Worst case scenario, you don't sign up for any international plan and use your phone as you

would at home, checking email, sending photos and adjusting your fantasy football roster from the beach while enjoying an ice-cold beer and taunting your friends in chillier climates.

When you get home, the bill could be hundreds or thousands of dollars.

There are some steps you can take to maintain some of the functionality of the phone without the monster bill, but it will still cost you extra.

First off, learn how to defang the functions of your iPhone that can whack your wallet: international calling and data. The easiest way to completely shut these off (other than turning off the phone) is to go into flight mode.

But that leaves you with a virtually useless phone that can't make or receive calls, check email or text.

To be more selective, go to "Settings," then "General" and then "Network." Here you can shut off "Data Roaming" so you won't feast on high-priced data but can still make phone calls.

Also, in your email settings, turn off the "Fetch"

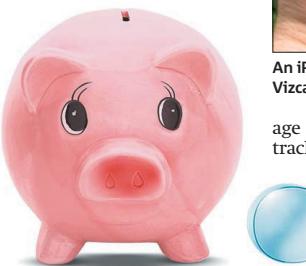
option so you won't automatically download email. Do so under "Settings," then "Mail, Contacts, Calendars" and "Fetch New Data."

There are a few options for international calling plans, which bring down the cost of making or receiving calls while abroad. A reporter used the AT&T Mexico add-on plan for \$4.99 US a month on a re-

whammy, "Visual Voicemail" uses data to deliver the messages while also charging you international airtime for the duration of your friend's meandering message.

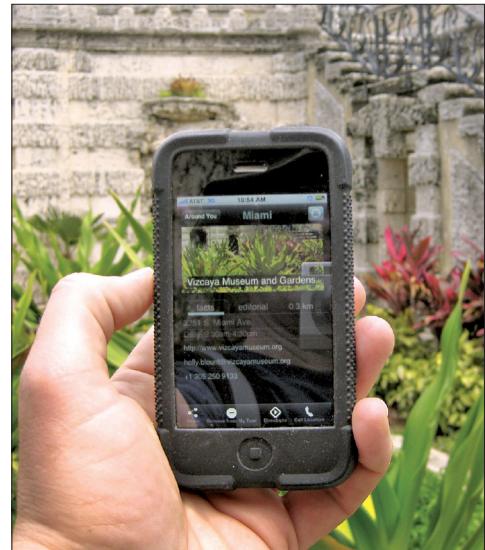
If you'd like to check email, view maps or update Facebook with the iPhone, you should probably also sign up for an international data plan. The cheapest is the \$24.99 Global Add-On plan,

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which gives you 20 megabytes of data at \$1.25 per megabyte. That compares to nearly \$20 per megabyte if you don't have an international plan. There are other options going up in price and amount of data available.

Incoming calls that go to voice mail also cost. And, in an amazing double-



An iPhone running the Unlike App, a travel application, at Vizcaya Museum and Gardens in Miami.

age statistics so you can track how close you are to your limit. Go to

"Settings," then

"General" and

"Usage."

The reset option is at

the bottom. Also

on the same page, there is a listing for "Cellular Network Data." This can grow at an astounding speed.

The reporter mentioned above used up a third of his 20 megabytes in an hour by checking email, instant-messaging friends, getting directions from the Mayan Riviera resort area to Cancun's airport, and resetting

my fantasy football roster for the week.

If you happen to be staying somewhere with wireless Internet access, you can dodge most of these charges. Establish a connection with the network, use Skype or another Internet phone service for all voice calls and use the wireless network to surf the web and check email.

With some care, your iPhone can make a wonderful travel companion, but just don't expect it to deliver quite as much as it does at home anywhere close to as cheaply.

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Budget Travel magazine recognizes innovation with Extra Mile Awards

TOP PICKS New services and features from Kayak.com, American Airlines, JetBlue, Google and TripAdvisor honoured with Extra Mile Awards from Budget Travel magazine. The magazine gives the awards for develop-

ments that make travel "easier, more enjoyable and more affordable."

The winners for 2009, as listed in the magazine's October edition, are:

- Kayak.com, for new features like search sharing, a real-time map of avail-

able airfare and an iPhone app.

- New York City, for new public spaces like making Times Square car-free and turning an abandoned railway into a walkway called the High Line.

- Apple, for equipping the

3GS iPhone with a built-in applications store for anything you might need on the road.

- American Airlines, for the One-Way Flex Awards loyalty program, which helps occasional travellers earn rewards.

- JetBlue, for offering amenities at the gate, like the Re:Vive bar kiosks at JFK airport.

- Intrepid Travel, for carbon-offsetting all of its itineraries by early 2010.

- Google, for offering the Street View mapping fea-

ture for theme parks and trails.

- Delta, for bringing back customer service in style with their Red Coats program, comprised of agents dedicated to troubleshooting at a number of airports.

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Workology

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The wire and pipe masters



Experienced, professional trades people make all the difference when good work needs to be done — especially when it comes to electrical and plumbing work. Meet two masters of their chosen trade:

ELECTRICIAN

You may have seen electrician Sandy Ragno

and his talented team on the hit show Holmes on Homes but most of the time, good electrical work goes relatively unseen.

Ragno, 51, runs Solo Electric Ltd. in Toronto and has had to use his skills to correct a lion's share of shoddy, dangerous electrical work. He got into the electrical trade after realizing sitting in a classroom wasn't his thing.

"My first move was to try university but I didn't care for it much because I'm a hands-on kind of guy," Ragno said.

Instead, he did an electrician's apprenticeship at Humber College in Toronto and started his own business at the age of 22, employing licensed help be-

fore he himself had even gotten licensed.

While plenty of young people are entering the field, Ragno says the work isn't cut out for everyone as being a good electrician is as much about creative problem-solving as it is about technical skills.

"You have to be mechanically inclined — you have to be able to look at things and know how they work to diagnose problems. We can train almost anybody at it but once you get into a little troubleshooting, that's when minds go blank," Ragno said.

One of the toughest parts of the trade is the innately dangerous side of working with electricity. Electricians often put their safety in oth-

International influx

Centennial College, in Toronto, reports that foreign student enrolment for the fall semester has risen more than 40 per cent over last year. Domestic student enrolment is up by 13 per cent. Full-time student enrolment at the college has increased by 16 per cent this fall, over double the Ontario average.

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er people's hands, trusting that a switch won't get flipped accidentally while they work, giving them a 600 volt shock.

"One misconception is that (electrical work) is not dangerous. It is a dangerous trade. We see a lot of stuff that's done that does work but may not be safe and in time can be very dangerous," Ragno said.

PLUMBER

Bill Reid, 60, owns and operates Reid Brothers Plumbing and Heating Ltd. in Vancouver and has built a career doing something he never originally thought he'd do as a job.

He learned to install pipe when he was just 12 but tried various careers after completing a Bachelor of Science degree, including a two-year stint in accounting, before realizing he preferred working with his hands.

Reid completed his plumbing internship with the British Columbia Institute of Technology and co-founded Reid Brothers with his brother in 1976. Since then the company has grown to 31 employees and

quotes more than 60 jobs each month, an example of the strength of the plumbing and heating service industry in general.

"From 2002 until today essentially there has been no slowdown in our work. It's a business that largely just repeats on its own — we don't have to do a lot of advertising," Reid said.

All of Reid's years of experience have taught him that ultimately plumbing and heating is more about the service side of things than just the particulars of pipes and bolts.

"This has always been about the people — we're in the service industry, we just happen to work in plumbing and heating," Reid said.

The hardest part of the industry, Reid says, is finding and training good apprentices.

"It takes experience to be a really good plumber so our focus is on training apprentices," he says.

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Entrepreneurs vie for cash in the Den

Dragons' Den



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t takes guts to appear on a reality show. Just like it takes guts to try and get a job — or keep a job — in today's helter-skelter economy.

You can see what I mean on tonight's season premiere of Dragons' Den, the program I host on CBC. If you've never seen it, the premise is simple: Eager, cash-hungry entrepreneurs pitch for an investment from a panel of wealthy Canadian business moguls.

These "pitchers" as we call them, are trying to win a deal, not a job, but the process is similar. They have to make a good first impression, offer something valuable, describe it in an enticing way and answer a series of tough ques-

tions — all the while attempting to appear calm and confident. Not easy, especially when television cameras surround them while they face down five sharp-minded operators (or if you really need that job or promotion).

It's fascinating to watch how people react under pressure — some literally sweat buckets while others are so slick and composed, it's amazing.

In the Den, it's fairly easy to see who came prepared, and who did not. Some pitchers have their numbers down cold — they can tell the Dragons the size of the market, the number of big competitors and their profit margins. Others are all flash — a glitzy demo that does not offer much in the way of business savvy.

I'm sure potential employers see the same thing. I know I did when I was hiring for programs in the past. Some applicants do their research — they know what Job No. 1 is for your organization and have

thought hard about how to show that their qualities match the job requirements.

You may learn something from the wide variety of pitching styles on tonight's episode — some good, some bad, some ugly. Questions from the Dragons include some about crabs in the nether region and the appeal of an eco-friendly

Tonight

approach to wiping in the bathroom. There are plenty of intriguing new business ideas too — Canada is bursting with creativity.

And when entrepreneurs do manage to convince these well-connected business titans to invest — they could soon be hiring, creating more jobs.

And that, too, takes guts.

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Recent Emmy winner Jon Cryer has more reason to celebrate. The actor and his wife, Lisa Joyner, have adopted a six-week-old baby girl named Daisy Lee, according to The Insider. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Along for the ride

Zombieland takes Jesse Eisenberg back to the amusement park

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Jesse Eisenberg is just about fed up with amusement parks. After starring earlier this year in Adventureland as a theme park toiler, the young actor hits theaters this week in Zombieland, which sets its climactic battle beneath ferris wheels and tilt-a-whirls. "It's the most inefficient place to do a movie," he gripes.

"Even if it's a closeup of an actor, if there's a ride in the background doing anything, they have to have extras on it and have it going," Eisenberg explains. "I

was tired of it on the first day of shooting." But he hasn't ruled out returning to such a setting in the future. "I'll do whatever they put me in," he says, "but I'd prefer not."

In Zombieland, Eisenberg plays one of a handful of survivors of a virus that's reduced most of the population to flesh-hungry monsters. "We actually planned the swine flu to coincide with the movie opening," he jokes. "And, you know, there's some collateral damage, but ultimately we'll have a big opening

weekend."

Though admittedly not a fan of the zombie genre, Eisenberg was impressed enough by what the writers conjured up to sign on. "The script was endlessly violent," he says. "All the kills were so creative." But the amount of gunplay involved with playing a survivor of the zombie apocalypse did give him pause.

"I don't really like using guns. I don't want to be promoting violence in a fun way," Eisenberg explains. "There are too many guns in the world, so

I don't want to be part of that. But I think the movie is pretty responsible in terms of the values that it promotes."

Still, Eisenberg admits that compromise does have its benefits, as starring in movies like Zombieland can make it easier to get his more personal projects off the ground. For instance, he recently booked the part of Allen Ginsberg in Kill Your Darlings, set in the early days of the Beat Generation. "The Ginsberg movie is so far down the road because it's trying to raise money," he says. "And it's about homosexual beat poets and a murder. It's not the thing



Jesse Eisenberg stars in Zombieland, which hits theaters this week.

investors are jumping at, probably."

But first he's got a more high-profile job to tackle: portraying Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg in David Fincher's The Social Network, chronicling the creation of the hugely successful site. Eisenberg

hasn't had a chance to chat with Zuckerberg yet, however. "I would like to," he says. "I don't know what I can say. He's not involved in the movie. I suppose if I say anything else, I'll be sued by the movie company and the Internet company."

Director tells Carey to leave diva act at home

Lee Daniels had so much faith in Mariah Carey's acting that when the director's first choice to play a dowdy, no-nonsense social worker — Oscar-winner Helen Mirren — backed out, he quickly asked Carey to step in.

But Daniels was well aware that in hiring Mariah Carey, the actress, he was also likely to get Mariah Carey, the diva — a high-maintenance sideshow that would include an entourage of makeup artists, assistants, publicists and other hangers-on, running counter to the energy he wanted the superstar to exude in his searing drama Precious. He had cast her as the lead in last year's film Tennessee.

So, as he gave her the role, he also issued a warning: Leave the diva act at home.

"If you come with a strip of makeup on," he recalls telling her, "I will have a backup (actress)."

"I knew that she would be out of her safety zone, and I knew that there would be no one for her to rely on, to say, 'Get me this,

get me that,'" he said. "I could see in her eyes — 'What is Lee doing to me?' But I knew that she trusted me."

By putting her faith in Daniels, Carey may have finally proven to critics that formidable talent extends to more than just her voice. She's garnered high praise for her turn in the film, which is being released nationwide on Nov. 6.

But more importantly for Carey, the role helped her shed some of the insecurities

that not only hindered her in acting, but in her real life.

"That was such a freeing experience for me," Carey says during a recent interview. "By making me look so bad he brought out the ability to never be self-conscious again, and that was a gift that he gave me."

After years of striving to reach an ideal — from her personal life to her music career — Carey, 39, is embracing life's imperfections, an attitude summed up by the title of her latest album, Memoirs of an Imperfect Angel.

Producer Tricky, responsible for hits like Rihanna's Grammy-winning Umbrella, was one of the main writers and producers of the Memoirs of an Imperfect Angel, along with Carey and The-Dream. Tricky says Carey is "kind of letting people know, I'm not this perfect angel."

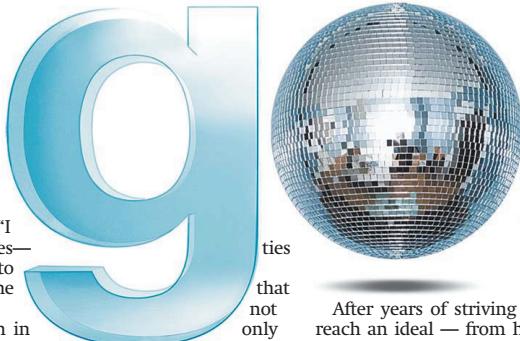
But Carey herself points to something else that shows her new outlook — the fact that she's dropped one of her most infamous diva demands, that she only be photographed on her right side.

"I don't feel like, 'Oh, I have to be on this side,' or 'I have to be on this side' — I really had specific things that someone told me when I was 19 starting in the business and I listened to them."

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Mariah Carey stars in the drama Precious and has a new album out called Memories of an Imperfect Angel.



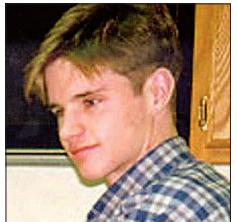
Laramie Project epilogue depicts killer as lacking remorse

A decade after The Laramie Project became a theatrical phenomenon, its creators are back with an epilogue highlighted by a riveting prison interview with the killer of gay college student Matthew Shepard — depicting him as candid but not remorseful over the murder.

The new production, which opens nationwide in the U.S. on Monday, Oct. 12, at more than 130 theatres, features a segment based on more than 10 hours of face-to-face interviews with convicted killer Aaron McKinney, conducted by Greg Pierotti, a gay actor/writer who helped create the original docudrama.

According to the detailed notes taken by Pierotti and condensed into the new script, McKinney says he had been drawn to crime ever since childhood, feels sympathy for Shepard's parents and expresses regret that he let his own father down.

"As far as Matt is concerned, I don't have any remorse," McKinney is quoted as saying. He goes on, according to the script, to say that he still dislikes gays and that his perceptions about Shepard's sex life bolstered his belief that the killing was justified.



Matthew Shepard

"As far as Matt is concerned, I don't have any remorse."

Aaron McKinney

production company.

McKinney, according to the script, reiterates his claim that the 1998 killing in Laramie, Wyo., started out as a robbery, but makes clear that his antipathy toward gays played a role.

"The night I did it, I did have hatred for homosexuals," McKinney is quoted as saying. He goes on, according to the script, to say that he still dislikes gays and that his perceptions about Shepard's sex life bolstered his belief that the killing was justified.

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Jackson boots fetch \$16,000

Late musician's crystal footwear sell at AIDS auction

Crystal-studded boots that Michael Jackson intended to wear on his planned comeback tour fetched about \$16,000 at a celebrity fundraiser chaired by his sister, Janet.

The charity event, held on the sidelines of Milan Fashion Week, attracted such fashion luminaries as Donatella Versace and model Linda Evangelista, as well as rapper and producer Kanye West.

Organizers say the event late Monday netted more than \$1.2 million for the American Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR), a non-profit organization that supports HIV/AIDS research.

The event included a charity dinner in a central Milan palace and continued into the early hours of Tuesday with French DJ Bob Sinclar serving his famous mixes on an upstairs dance floor.

"I'd just like to thank everyone here in the global fashion community who've done so much to

"Today with your help millions of people are living with HIV."

Janet Jackson

help amfAR and to support HIV/AIDS research." Jackson told celebrity diners, who paid anywhere from \$1,500 to \$8,000 apiece to attend the dinner.

"When this terrible pandemic began everyone . . . who was infected died of AIDS. Today with your help millions of people are living with HIV."

She remembered the 5,000 who die of the disease every day.

Evangelista recalled the death of her first booking agent due to AIDS in the early days of the epidemic. "Those were desperate times for so many of us. I watched him die and helped bury him, not understanding any of it," Evangelista said. "The fashion industry was especially hard hit by AIDS."



Michael Jackson's boots were auctioned off in Milan to raise money for AIDS.

But amfAR CEO Kevin Robert Frost celebrated the first "flicker of hope" that the AIDS epidemic may one day be contained, the news last week that a two-vaccine combination tested in Thailand had cut the risk of being infected with HIV by one-third. Researchers say the results are not good enough for immediate use, but the results were widely viewed in the AIDS prevention and research camps as a hopeful sign.

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Britney Spears's new single 3 is No. 1 off of her upcoming album, The Singles Collection. Jive Records is releasing the album to celebrate the 10th anniversary of her debut on the music scene. [PEOPLE.COM](#)



The Avett Brothers partnered with legendary producer Rick Rubin for their newest release, I and Love and You.

Avetts get to their roots

Alt-country trio shift to spurs of indie rock on new record

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
For Metro Canada



It's rare that a band so deftly combines alt-country sounds with excitable indie rock, but that's exactly what the Avett

Brothers have done on their new disc, I and Love and You.

The trio, which includes Scott Avett on vocals and banjo, his brother Seth on guitar and Bob Crawford on bass, doesn't so much combine the two genres together as shift from one sound to the next.

"We grew up on a dirt road away from the city, so country music was always on tap there," says the North Carolina-raised Scott. "But Seth and I were rebelling constantly so we were playing different types of music."

The brothers' first band was a noise-rock group called Nemo, but it wasn't long before Avett turned to the music they heard growing up for inspiration. "We picked up softer instruments so we could trim the fat," says Seth. "Then we realized that we were hiding behind the distortion."

But while the fuzz might be gone, the brash sounds aren't. On Kick Drum Heart the threesome rip through

the poppy, piano-based number like classic Ben Folds, while Tin Man's acoustic rock vibe recalls Counting Crows-mixed-with CSNY.

The upbeat tracks are fun to say the least, but it's the slower numbers that really drive the band.

January Wedding is an infectious Americana tune; Darkness is a haunting, Will Oldham-like song with political undertones.

It's the folk part of their sound that got legendary producer Rick Rubin to take notice. Rubin heard some of their previous work and invited the band to his house for a chat. "We talked about music and every day things," says Seth. "And about the possibilities of working together."

Seth admits that while he was excited about working with Rubin he was skeptical. Bands get wooed all the

time but nothing comes of it. But after their meeting the Avett Brothers knew it was going to work out.

"When we met him he was just awesome. Very friendly and throughout the process he maintained that with a lot of integrity and taste," Seth explains.

Now that the album is done — and on Rubin's label — the group has started to feel the effects of being on a major; they had previously released a few discs on an indie. The biggest difference is a bigger budget, and that marketing machine that comes with it.

But, while the trio are getting more attention than ever, they're not letting it go to their heads. At 33, Seth's days of wanting to be a rock star are behind him. Now he's making music because he wants to.

New album

• **I and Love and You** is the new album by Avett Brothers.



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Dragon's Den

I've got the idea; you've got the loot; let's make lots of money. Season four of this popular reality series opens tonight with a new crop of entrepreneurs pitching their ideas to a panel of venture capitalists — the "Dragons" — in hopes of getting some money and advice to put them into production. Dianne Buckner returns as host. 8 PM on CBRT



Hank

Emmy winner Kelsey Grammer ("Frasier") returns to series television as Hank Pryor, a driven sports retail entrepreneur who is forced to give up his swank New York lifestyle and move his family back to his small Virginia hometown after his company downsizes. Back on his old turf, Hank tries to start over while also reconnecting with his two kids in this new comedy that also stars Melinda McGraw, David Koechner, Jordan Hinson and Nathan Gamble. 9 PM on KXLV

Polanski files motion to be free

LEGAL Lawyers for Roman Polanski filed a motion in court Tuesday asking that the Oscar-winning director be released from Swiss custody — the first step in his legal battle to avoid extradition to the United States for a 1977 statutory rape case.

The Swiss Federal Criminal Court announced the filing and said "the decision will be made within the next weeks."

Legal experts predicted the 76-year-old filmmaker will not be freed anytime soon from the prison in Zurich, for he is expected to stay incarcerated through the verdict and through any appeal from either side. Polanski, a dual Polish and French citizen, was arrested Saturday.

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Mr. T banishes the bling

A-Team star Mr. T says he has hung up his trademark gold chains for good as a mark of respect for the victims of hurricane Katrina. The actor — real name Laurence Tureaud — first retired the bling in 2005 after witnessing the devastation in the southern U.S. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Fifty years later, the Zone's message lives on

Rod Serling's iconic TV show has resonated with viewers from generation to generation

On a Friday night in October 1959, TV viewers began slipping into a dimension of imagination as vast as space and as timeless as infinity. They've really never returned.

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Like the time-space warps that anchored so many of the show's plots, Rod Serling's veiled commentary remains as soul-baring today as it did a half-century ago.

"I'm interested in the escapist ideas, the psychological nature of the stories," said Lauren Chizinski of Houston, a Syracuse University student who is taking a class on the show and its 50th anniversary.

"The whole idea of The Twilight Zone jumped off the television screen and became a catchphrase, a buzzword."

Robert Thompson

The Twilight Zone has been exulted in mediums such as pinball and video games — and The Twilight Zone Tower of Terror ride at Disney theme parks.

The original show led to a feature film by Steven Spielberg and John Landis in 1983. It is reportedly soon to appear again on the silver screen from Leonardo DiCaprio's production company.

It has also been the subject of scores of books, websites, blogs, comic books and magazines.

It has even inspired music from the Grateful Dead, Rush, Golden Earring and Michael Jackson.

The Twilight Zone pioneered a genre, said Robert

Thompson, director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

"The whole idea of The

Twilight Zone jumped off the television screen and became a catchphrase, a buzzword for something much beyond the TV show itself," Thompson added.

CBS has no plans to observe the show's 50th anniversary, said spokesperson Chris Ender.

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In brief: The Twilight Zone

THE SHOW: The original show ran just five seasons, 1959-1964.

THE WRITERS: There were 156 episodes filmed for the original series; Rod Serling wrote 92 of them and other contributors included Richard Matheson and Ray Bradbury, two of the deans of science fiction writing.

THE THEME SONG: The show's distinctive signature theme song became part of popular language, allowing people to describe unusual or inexplicable moments with just a simple "doo-doo doo-doo."

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A private memorial service for Patrick Swayze — who died Sept. 14 of pancreatic cancer at age 57 — will take place on Sunday at L.A.'s Sony Studios, Variety reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Swayze service will be private

Celebrity Buzz

ScarJo stunned she's hitched

ME? MARRIED? NEVER There were plenty of people surprised by Scarlett Johansson's remote Canadian wedding to Ryan Reynolds last September — and you can count Johansson among them, people.com reports.

"I never really thought about getting married — it just kind of happened," the actress, 25, tells Glamour for its November issue, hitting newsstands Tuesday.

"It seemed natural, the right thing to do. It was kind of a celebration of the time."

But Johansson says she likes the feeling, even if

she doesn't feel all that different.

"I think the only difference is

that I'm kind of making my own little family now, which is funny," she says.

"It's like a little bit of a tribe. You hope that a relationship makes you better, that you learn things about yourself."

Other changes could also be on the horizon, she indicated, though she'd first have to overcome a personal hang-up or two. "I would love to work on Broadway, but I don't know that it would manifest it-

self in musical theater ... I have terrible stage fright that I'd have to get over," she says.

"It came on when I was a teenager, and I think it somehow sticks with you."

As for the future, "You never know. I might open my own bakery!" she says with a laugh before admitting, "The thing is, I don't know how to do anything else, other than things that relate to film ... I don't know anything except for movies, other than some Trivial Pursuit kind of information."

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Spencer Pratt: I am more famous

SAY WHAT? Kim, Khloe and Kourtney Kardashian have been dominating all the headlines lately.

But Hills star Spencer Pratt claims he is still more famous than the three reality star sibs, usmagazine.com reports.

"Speidi is Barack and Michelle famous, not Kardashian famous!"

Pratt, 26, tells the



New York Post, comparing his relationship with wife Heidi Montag to the Obamas.

He later added, "The fact that USA Today said we're the third most famous couple in the world after Brangelina and The Obamas is amazing. I don't care what people say about me. It's cool."

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Jude's see no baby policy

WAITING GAME Jude Law has not met the daughter he allegedly had with Samantha Burke — and he doesn't plan to until the results of a paternity test come through, according to News of the World.

"It was an act of kindness rather than an admission that he was the dad," a source says of Law's decision to pay for the birth.

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Short skirts are 'shocking' to Kelly

THE HORROR Former wild child Kelly Osbourne is growing up fast. The Dancing with the Stars contestant was overhead at a recent party for Teen Vogue telling a pal that she was "shocked" at how short some of the partygoers' skirts were, considering they were so young, according to Page Six.

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you're talking about."

Earlier this summer, the former Spice Girl embarked on a series of "facial lessons" and voice classes before appearing as a guest judge on TV talent show American Idol.

A source said: "She wanted to come across the best she could on American Idol, so she took some private lessons on how to properly pronounce words and how to make appropriate facial expressions.

"Victoria is famous for her pout, but she herself admitted she wanted to shed that pout for the show to come across more human."

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Beautiful Becks want to sound good, too

TALKING TO AMERICANS

David Beckham is having elocution lessons to make his voice deeper, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The British soccer star has decided to join his wife Victoria and have intensive voice coaching to improve his accent and deepen his high-pitched tones because he thinks it will help him get more work when his sports career is over.

A source told Britain's Daily Star newspaper: "David is quite keen to move into TV work when he finally retires, probably after the next World Cup. He's got the looks and the knowledge, but knows his voice needs work."

"Victoria knows being British can be an asset in the States, but only if the American public understand what



Celebrity tweets

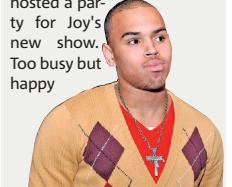
Kristie Alley wants revenge for all the British actors getting parts on U.S. TV, Chris Brown keeps his head up, and Barbara Walters is a busy lady.



- @kristiealley I THINK I WILL JUST MOVE TO ENGLANDIA AND STEAL THEIR ROLES...AND rolls

- @mechanicaldummy STAY POSITIVE THROUGH RUFF TIMES.negative people wanna see me fall or crack. it wont happen as long as GOD GOT ME AND MY FANS. LOVE YALL

- @BarbaraWalters Lunched with Prime Minister of Australia. The View is big there. Really At night hosted a party for Joy's new show. Too busy but happy





Today
Partly cloudy
11°C / 3°C



Thursday
Mostly cloudy
12°C / -1°C



Friday
Rain
7°C / 0°C

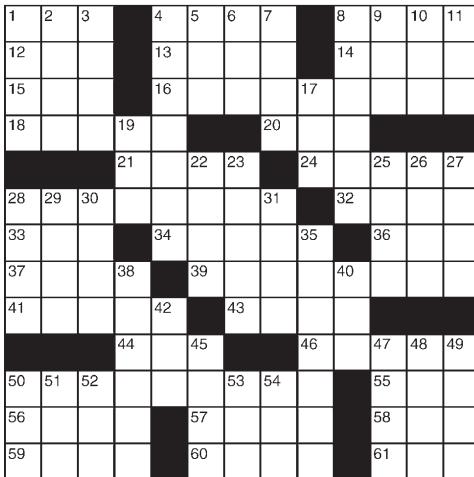


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WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.


ACROSS

- 1 Badly lit
- 4 Burn somewhat
- 8 Commanded
- 12 Literary collection
- 13 Impel
- 14 Shaving cream additive
- 15 Gelid
- 16 Dangerously fast
- 18 Sandbank
- 20 Favourite
- 21 Costa —
- 24 Handrail support
- 28 Shortcut to a website
- 32 "The Amazing —"
- 33 Heidi's height
- 34 Iroquois' foes
- 36 Dance syllable
- 37 Cabbage recipe
- 39 Depositor's record
- 41 37-Across, e.g.
- 43 Acerbic
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- 50 — Mountain
- 55 Boston Bruins legend
- 56 Start over
- 57 Despondent
- 58 — Khan
- 59 It takes the cake
- 60 Coaster
- 61 60-Across, e.g.
- 23 Met expectations?
- 25 Texas city
- 26 Reverberate
- 27 Plumbing problem
- 28 Low voice
- 29 Earthen pot
- 30 October birthstone
- 31 Gambling game
- 35 Moved furtively
- 38 Bit part, maybe
- 40 A couple of cups?
- 42 Conk out
- 45 Recedes
- 47 Perfectly
- 48 Therefore
- 49 Picture of health?
- 50 Buddy
- 51 Gun the engine
- 52 Praise in verse
- 53 The whole enchilada
- 54 Shuffleboard stick

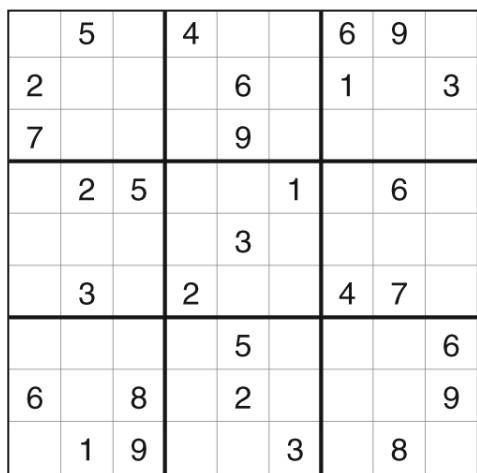
DOWN

- 1 Speaker's spot
- 2 Minimal distance
- 3 BLT enhancement
- 4 Glorious
- 5 Screw up
- 6 Census stat
- 7 Harvest
- 8 Witty repartee
- 9 Hearty quaff
- 10 "What's up, —?"
- 11 "A mouse!"
- 17 Barbie's companion
- 19 Noah's craft
- 22 Sugar or starch, for short
- 28 Shortcut to a website
- 32 "The Amazing —"
- 33 Heidi's height
- 34 Iroquois' foes
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- 45
- 46 House-paint

Sudoku

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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TRAY	H	OSES			2	8	1	5	3	9	4	6	7
BYTES	B	ING			6	4	5	8	7	2	9	1	3
LOUD	P	ROVERBS			3	7	9	6	1	4	5	2	8
ERR	WAI	TE	ERA		5	1	3	9	2	8	6	7	4
DENTISTS	T	TEAM			7	6	2	3	4	1	8	5	9
SINS	F	FUND	S		8	9	4	7	5	6	1	3	2
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ARA	OVAL	IOTA											
MAY	R	RAKE	DEAD										

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.com
ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



It will be easier to get along with people if you can get out of the habit of assuming that everyone shares your values and convictions.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



What is the number one thing you should be doing at this very moment? So why are you not doing it?

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



Matters of a routine nature seem to be taking up most of your time and, although that might be boring, you should make a good job of them.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



You fear the worst for no good reason, but what happens today will convince you that life is good and getting better by the moment.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



The Sun's transit of your fellow Air sign of Libra will smooth your path and help you to find energy and commitment.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Steer clear of other people's emotional problems. No matter how many hints they may drop you must not get involved.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Partners and loved ones seem to be demanding more of your time and attention than you want to give but make an effort and do as they ask.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Something you have been striving to master will come right today. Celebrate, by all means, but don't get carried away by your relative success.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



You will get the chance to move up in the world socially and professionally over the next few days. It may be a big way or it may be a small way.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



The Sun in Libra at this time of year endows you with limitless self-confidence, but there are some interesting challenges coming your way.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



Money matters must come first today, and that means, among other things, watching what you say to those who hold the purse strings.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



Having agreed to help out a friend or a family member you must live up to your promise — and maybe next time you won't promise so much.

This day in history

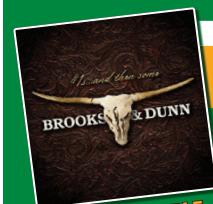
SEPT. 30, 1888: Jack the Ripper kills his third and fourth victims, Elizabeth Stride and Catherine Eddowes.
SEPT. 30, 1901: Hubert Cecil Booth patents the vacuum cleaner.
SEPT. 30, 1927: Babe Ruth becomes the first baseball player to hit 60 home runs in a season.

SEPT. 30, 1938: The League of Nations unanimously outlaws "intentional bombings of civilian populations."

SEPT. 30, 1955: Film icon James Dean dies in a road accident at age 24.

SEPT. 30, 1962: James Meredith enters the University of Mississippi, defying segregation.

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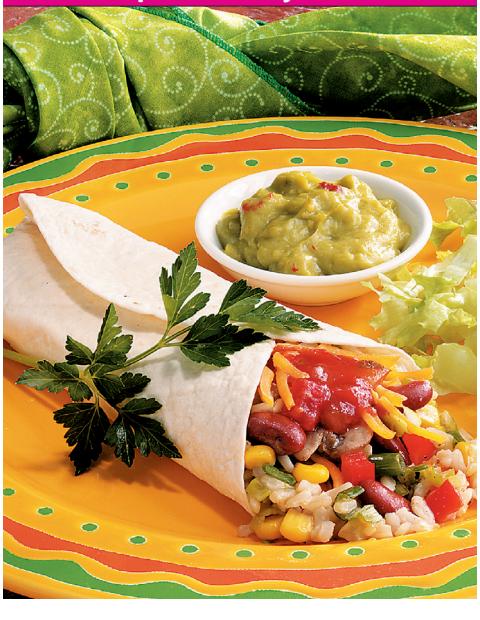
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- Spoon 3/4 cup (175 mL) onto each tortilla. Sprinkle with cheese; drizzle with salsa. Fold sides of tortilla over filling; serve immediately.

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